

In the Claims:

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended)                   An identification and authentication process that is indirect and does not employ a specific reader, for identifying an object the process characterized in that:

                  a three-dimensional identifier is attached to the review object, the identifier presenting three-dimensional heterogeneities distributed in a random manner within a transparent material rendering the identifier difficult or impossible to reproduce,

                  the process uses stereoscopic vision (A) of the human eye (12) to verify a three-dimensional appearance and confirm the authenticity of the three-dimensional identifier (1), and

                  the identification process or reading is made by visual comparison (B) of a two-dimensional first image (2) of the three-dimensional identifier (1) stored in a database (4) accessible by a network (5), to the three-dimensional identifier (1).

11. (Previously presented)                   An identification and authentication process as in claim 10 wherein

                  a second image (3) similar to the two-dimensional image (2) of the identifier (1)

                  (9) (10) (11) is prepared,

                  the second image (3) is physically associated with the three-dimensional identifier

                  (1) (9) (10) (11),

                  a first visual comparison (C) is carried out between the three-dimensional

                  identifier (1) (9) (10) (11) and the second image (3),

                  a second visual comparison (D) is carried out between the first image (2) and the second image (3).

12. (Previously presented)                   An identification and authentication process as in claim 10 wherein a call number and/or a password is associated with the identifier in order to facilitate and secure access to the database (4).

13 (Previously presented). An identification and authentication process as in claim 10 wherein the network (5) is a telecommunications network.

14. (Previously presented) An identification and authentication process as in claim 10 wherein the identifier (1) (9) (10) (11) and/or the two-dimensional first image (2) present a particular marking or identification in order to facilitate the visual comparison.

15. (Previously presented) An identification and authentication process as in claim 11 wherein the identifier (1) (9) (10) (11) and/or the two-dimensional first image (2) and/or the similar second image (3) present a particular marking or identification in order to facilitate the visual comparisons.